



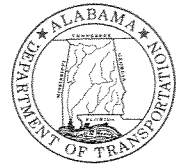
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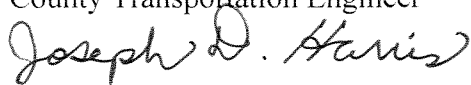
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April 10, 2006

MEMORANDUM 2006 - 16

TO: All County Engineers and
Division County Transportation Engineers

FROM: John F. Courson
County Transportation Engineer

Joseph D. Harris, P.E.
Bridge Inspection/Management Systems Engineer

RE: **Bridge Inspection Program Compliance Reviews**
Bridge Inspection Refresher Training
NHI Bridge Inspection Training Including 2-Week Schools
Vegetation Management Training

Attached is a copy of a letter from Mr. Stacey Glass, Assistant Maintenance Engineer, Maintenance and Training, concerning the above referenced training.

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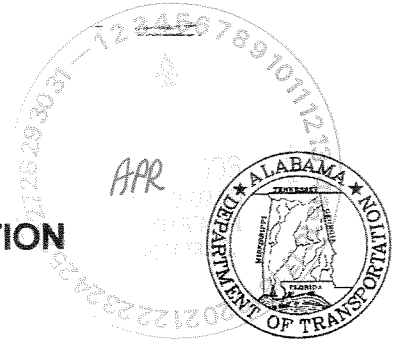
Pc: Mr. John Lorentson

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March 30, 2006

To: Division Engineers

Mr. Johnny Harris, First Division Engineer
Mr. James D. Brown, Second Division Engineer
Mr. Brian Davis, Third Division Engineer
Mr. DeJarvis Leonard, Fourth Division Engineer
Ms. Dee Rowe, Fifth Division Engineer
Mr. Randall A. Estes, Sixth Division Engineer
Mr. Joseph M. Griffin, Seventh Division Engineer
Mr. Jerry Holt, Eighth Division Engineer
Mr. R. F. Poiroux, Ninth Division Engineer

Attn: Division Maintenance Engineer
 Division Chief Bridge Inspector

From: 
 Stacey N. Glass, Asst. St. Maint. Engr., Management & Training

Reference: Bridge Inspection Program Compliance Review
 Bridge Maintenance Related Training
 Vegetation Management Training
 Annual Meeting Dates

Dear Division Engineers:

Please find listed below the scheduled Maintenance-related events for calendar year 2006.

Bridge Inspection Program Compliance Review

The state of Alabama's bridge inspection program is a Federal compliance program administered by FHWA. In an effort to comply with FHWA Guidelines to review the bridge inspection procedures of all public bridge owners, ALDOT has agreed with FHWA to inspect

each ALDOT division once every two years. Furthermore, each local government entity is requested to attend the division review so that they more fully understand the acceptable standard for a bridge inspection program in the state of Alabama. An integral part of the review process is that each governmental entity is requested to complete a bridge Inspection Program Review Questionnaire. A copy of this questionnaire can be found in the current ALDOT Bridge Inspection Manual. Listed below are the dates of this year's reviews.

Fourth Division	April 18, 2006	10:00 A.M.
Chambers County	April 18, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Calhoun County	April 19, 2006	9:00 A.M.
City of Anniston	April 19, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Fifth Division	June 13, 2006	9:00 A.M.
Greene County	June 13, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Lamar County	June 14, 2006	9:00 A.M.
City of Tuscaloosa	June 14, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Sixth Division	July 25, 2006	9:00 A.M.
Lowndes County	July 25, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Autauga County	July 26, 2006	9:00 A.M.
City of Prattville	July 26, 2006	2:00 P.M.
Seventh Division	August 9, 2006	9:00 A.M.
Barbour County	August 9, 2006	2:00 P.M.
City of Dothan	August 10, 2006	9:00 A.M.
Henry County	August 10, 2006	2:00 P.M.

When a review is conducted at a Division office, each County and Municipality that owns bridges and is located within the geographic limits of that division are **required to attend the Division review and bring a completed Bridge Inspection Program Questionnaire with them**. Counties and Municipalities that are scheduled for their own reviews are still required to attend the Division review.

Bridge Inspection Refresher Training

This office conducts four sessions of this training throughout the state. Participants associated in any facet of the state's bridge inspection program are highly encouraged to attend. Participants may attend any session they desire and pre-registration is not required. If a certified bridge inspector in the State of Alabama did not attend one of the Bridge Inspection Refresher Training sessions last year, it is mandatory that they attend one of the sessions this year in order to remain in active status.

These training sessions will include recent changes in bridge inspection procedures, forms, documentation, bridge management, scour, underwater inspections, bridge ratings, as well as various other pertinent topics.

Opelika	November 1-2, 2006	8:30 A.M.
Huntsville	November 15-16, 2006	8:30 A.M.
Tuscaloosa	November 29-30, 2006	8:30 A.M.
Foley	December 13-14, 2006	8:30 A.M.

NHI Maintenance Training

This office acts as host for several training courses sponsored by the National Highway Institute (NHI) and taught by consultants under contract with the NHI. Attendance in any ALDOT hosted NHI Course is offered at no charge to any employee of an Alabama governmental agency or individual under contract to an Alabama governmental agency to provide services relating to the training topic in question. Course enrollment preference is granted to "in state" applicants on a first-come-first serve basis". Anyone requesting attendance to an ALDOT hosted NHI Course who does not meet the criteria for "no charge" admittance will be asked to pay the NHI per person fee. Enrollment requests may be obtained from the ALDOT Website or from the Maintenance Bureau directly.

For complete and up-to-date information on the status of any particular course please visit the following internet address:

<http://www.dot.state.al.us/Docs/Bureaus/Maintenance/Management+and+Training/Management+and+Training+Home.htm>

Practical Highway Hydrology

<http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/coursedesc.asp?coursenum=31>

ALDOT Sixth Division Training Facility – 660 Chisolm Street, Montgomery, AL
April 11 – 13, 2006 Begin 8:30 A.M.

Stream Stability and Scour at Highway Bridges for Bridge Inspectors

<http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/coursedesc.asp?coursenum=1058>

ALDOT Central Office Conference Room 7 – Montgomery, AL
May 9, 2006 Begin 8:30 A.M.

Bridge Maintenance Training

<http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/coursedesc.asp?coursenum=100>

ALDOT Sixth Division Training Facility – 660 Chisolm Street, Montgomery, AL
May 15-19, 2006 Begin 8:30 A.M.

Safety Inspection of In-Service Bridges

<http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/coursedesc.asp?coursenum=22>

ALDOT 1st Division Auditorium – Guntersville, AL
September 11 – 22, 2006 Begin 8:30 A.M.

Safety Inspection of In-Service Bridges

<http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/coursedesc.asp?coursenum=22>

ALDOT Sixth Division Training Facility – 660 Chisolm Street, Montgomery, AL
October 16 – 27, 2006 Begin 8:30 A.M.

Vegetation Management Training

Employees of the Alabama Department of Transportation, academic experts, and private landscape authorities will conduct training sessions. Those in attendance should include ALDOT personnel, county and city personnel, and individuals from the Right-of-Way landscape industry, consultant applicators and utility company employees. Attendees should be selected based on their involvement in an administrative, supervisory, inspection, maintenance or other support roles of vegetated rights-of-way.

Second Division Auditorium	July 11, 2006	9 A.M.
First Division Auditorium	July 12, 2006	9 A.M.
Fifth Division Auditorium	July 18, 2006	9 A.M.
Third Division Auditorium	July 19, 2006	9 A.M.
Sixth Division Auditorium	August 1, 2006	9 A.M.
Fourth Division Auditorium	August 2, 2006	9 A.M.
Seventh Division Auditorium	August 29, 2006	9 A.M.
Ninth Division Auditorium	August 30, 2006	9 A.M.
Eighth Division Auditorium	August 31, 2006	9 A.M.

Miscellaneous Maintenance-Related Training

Alabama Vegetation Management Society Annual Meeting Bryant Conference Center – Tuscaloosa	February 27-28, 2007
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ALDOT Maintenance Management Meeting Riverview Plaza, Mobile	August 22-24, 2006
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We request that each **ALDOT Division** notify each municipality within their jurisdiction of these events. By copy of this letter, we are requesting that the **County Transportation Bureau** notify all counties of these events as well. This office will be contacting consultants and other interested parties on our mailing list.

If you should have any problems with this schedule or have other questions or comments concerning these matters please feel free to contact this office.

Cc: Mr. John Lorentson, State Maintenance Engineer
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Mr. Ron Newsome, Asst. St. Maintenance Engineer, Roadway Maintenance
Mr. Randy Braden, Asst. St. Maintenance Engineer, Permits and Operations
Mr. Tim Taylor, Asst. St. Maintenance Engineer, Traffic Operations
Mr. Don Harris, Bridge Engineer, County Transportation Bureau
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Mr. Robert King, Federal Highway Administration
Maintenance Training File:2006Events